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In re Application of:

YASUHIRO SHIMADA ET AL.

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For: PROBE WITH HOLLOW
WAVEGUIDE AND METHOD
FOR PRODUCING THE SAME

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Washington, D.C. 20231

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.

Cited U.S. Patent 6,201,226 is a counterpart of cited Laid-open application JP10-293134. Cited U.S. Patent 5,343,460 is a counterpart of cited Laid-open application JP 4-90152. Cited U.S. Patent 6,156,215 is a counterpart of cited Laid-open application JP 11-66650. Cited U.S. Patent 5,439,777 is a counterpart of cited Laid-open application JP 2-98849.

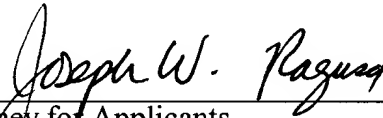
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CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

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